

AGENDA SPECIAL MEETING

DISTRICTING COMMISSION

223 East 4th Street, Room 160
Port Angeles, Washington
Tuesday, November 16, 2021 – 6 p.m.

ATTENTION

In response to the current pandemic, to promote social distancing, and in compliance with Governor's Proclamation and the recommendation of the Clallam County Health Officer, the Districting Commission meetings will be virtual only. The Districting Commission also strongly encourages public comments to be submitted in writing if possible.

This meeting can be viewed on a live stream at this link: http://www.clallam.net/features/meetings.html

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Public comment and questions can be directed to the Clerk of the Board at 360-417-2256 or agores@co.clallam.wa.us.

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT – Please limit comments to three minutes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for November 15, 2021

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Chair report

BUSINESS ITEMS – PUBLIC HEARING

• Public hearing regarding redistricting scenarios options presented by the Districting Masters

NEXT MEETING DATE

• Next meeting date -November 18, 2021 at 6 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Please limit comments to three minutes

ADJOURNMENT

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPEAKING AT A DISTRICTING COMMISSION MEETING:

- Members of the public wishing to address the Commission on general items may do so during the designated times on the agenda.
- Public comment is limited to 3 minutes for each speaker subject to the Commissions concurrence.
- Individual making comments shall first state their name and address for the official record.
- General comments, applause, booing from members of the audience are inappropriate and may result in removal.
- Written public comment can be emailed to the Clerk at agores@co.clallam.wa.us.

These guidelines are intended to promote an orderly system for conducting a public hearing and public comment session so that each person has an opportunity to be heard and to ensure that exercising their right of free speech embarrasses no one.

Note: Written testimony presented by members of the public during the meeting is considered a public document and <u>must be submitted to the Clerk of Districting</u>

<u>Commission</u>. Copies of public documents from meetings are available by contacting the Public Records Department.

Districting Commission Draft Minutes November 15, 2021



CLALLAM COUNTY DISTRICTING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2021

MEETING OF THE DISTRICTING COMMISSION (DC)

Chair Teichert (in person) called the meeting to order at 1 p.m., Monday, November 15, 2021. Also present were Commissioners Livingston, Collins, Hetrick-Oosterveld and McEntire (all appeared by video or phone) and Districting Masters (DM) Unger and Corson (appeared in person).

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL

REQUEST FOR MODIFICATIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

<u>ACTION TAKEN</u>: Hetrick-Oosterveld moved to approve as presented, McEntire seconded, motion carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for November 8, 2021

<u>ACTION TAKEN</u>: McEntire moved to approve as presented, Hetrick-Oosterveld seconded, motion carried

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Chair report

Teichert commented that he spoke with Paul Gottlieb – Peninsula Daily News regarding the Districting Commission.

BUSINESS ITEMS

• Review and discuss redistricting scenarios options presented by the Districting Masters DM Corson and Unger briefed the DC on the proposed scenarios. Teichert recommended brining three proposed options to the public hearing on November 16 and 18. DC discussed the options and each noted their preference on how to proceed with the options at the public hearing.

<u>ACTION TAKEN</u>: Collins moved to use options 3, 4 and 5 and rename those options to 1,2 and 3 for the proposed options at the public hearing and use current option 1 as the baseline option, Livingston seconded, motion carried

• Review and purpose of future meeting dates Teichert noted next meeting dates are:

Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 6 p.m. – Public Hearing Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 6 p.m. – Public Hearing

Monday, November 29, 2021 at 1 p.m. – Regular Meeting

Monday, December 13, 2021 at 1 p.m. – Regular Meeting

Discussion on a closed session of the Commission

Teichert commented that he discussed having a closed session with the Prosecuting Attorney's Office and it was determined that all meeting will be open to the public. No closed sessions will be held.

NEXT MEETING DATES

- Next meeting dates
 - Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 6 p.m. Public Hearing
 - Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 6 p.m. Public Hearing
 - Monday, November 29, 2021 at 1 p.m. Regular Meeting
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PUBLIC COMMENT

• Jennie Peterson, Port Angeles, commented on not having any information prior to the meeting regarding the proposed redistricting scenarios.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting concluded at 2:30 p.m.

ACTION TAKEN: Livingston moved to adjourn, McEntire seconded, motion carried

Respectfully submitted, Loni Gores, CMC Clerk to the Districting Commission Approved: November 16, 2021

Districting Commission Proposed options

Clallam County Redistricting 2021

Redistricting Alternatives 16 & 18 November, 2021

Districting Masters
Don Corson
Gene H. Unger

Clallam County Redistricting Alternatives Public Hearings November 16 and 18, 2021, @ 6 PM

Background, Analysis, And Preliminary Recommendations For Clallam County Redistricting

- 1. Public Process Goals
 - Transparency and objectivity
 - Participatory
 - Responsive
 - Straight forward
 - Historic record
- 2. Clallam County Charter requirements (Section 7.40)
 - Approximately equal population (within 5%)
 - Generally north-south boundaries
 - Geographically compact and continuous
 - Whole voting precincts
- 3. Overview of county population change
 - 2010-2020 up to 77,155 from 71,404
 - District population change/distribution
 - Accommodating the "Sequim ripple effect"
- 4. Key Milestones
 - Census data arrival
 - Conversion of data to precincts
 - Public workshop for orientation and public input
 - Development of alternative district boundary adjustments
 - Review with Districting Committee
 - Public hearings on district boundary alternatives
 - District Commission selects a preferred plan
 - Public Hearings on recommended plan
 - Formal approval of districting plan

2020 Clallam County Commissioner Boundary Alternatives Discussion and Considerations

The Clallam County Charter in Section 7.40 is very clear on the criteria to be used to define County Commissioner boundaries. These are:

- 1. Approximately equal population (within 5%)
- 2. Generally north-south boundaries
- 3. Geographically compact and contiguous
- 4. Whole voting precincts

Three Commissioner District alternatives have been identified that meet the above criteria.

Commissioner District boundaries adopted now will be in effect for the next ten years until the 2030 Census is taken. For this reason, working to keep District populations numerically close at this time is important.

Please refer to accompanying maps and tables.

Baseline (2020 Commissioner District Populations)

As shown in the accompanying table, population growth in the county has remained somewhat proportional. All Commissioner Districts are within 5% of each other. However, the population difference between Districts 1 and 2 is now 4.9%.

Alternative 1

Both Lost Mountain and Riverside Precincts south of Carlsborg would be moved from District 1 to District 2. In addition, Port Angeles Precinct 106 would be moved from District 2 to District 3. Population differences between Districts would be 0.62% between Districts 3 and 1, 1.23% between Districts 2 and 3 and 1.84% between Districts 1 and 2.

Alternative 2

This alternative would move only the Lost Mountain Precinct from District 1 to District 2 keeping the Riverside Precinct adjacent to the east in District 1. All other precincts would remain in their current Commissioner District. Population differences between districts countywide would range from 0.56% between Districts 2 and 3 to 3.51 between District 3 and 1.

Alternative 3

In this alternative both Lost Mountain and Riverside Precincts would be moved from District 1 to District 2. The population differences between Districts 1 and 2 would be 0.28% and 2.18% between Districts 3 and 1.

Clallam Redistricting Alternatives 2021				
		ž.		Maximum
				Percent
	District 1	District 2	District 3	Difference
Existing Populations	28,132	24,351	24,672	
Percent of Population	36.46	31.56	31.98	4.90
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District 1 District 2 District 3				
Redistricting Alternative I	26,351	24,928	25,876	
Percent of Population	34.15	32.31	33.54	1.84
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	District 1	District 2	District 3	Percent
Redistricting Alternative II	27,382	25,101	24,672	
Percent of Population	35.49	32.53	31.98	3.51
District 1 District 2 District 3				
Redistricting Alternative II	26,351	26,132	24,672	
Percent of Population	34.15	33.87	31.98	2.18
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Commissioner Districts 1 & 2





